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Person Interviewed: Capt. Tom Sullivan

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INTRODUCTION

Capt. Tom Sullivan was interviewed in conjunction with the Marine Board of Investigation concerning the *M/V Massachusetts*. The text that follows is not a verbatim record of the conversation. It has been developed from my handwritten notes of the conversation and is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

INTERVIEW

Tom Sullivan is a master for Boston Harbor Cruises. He stated that on the day of the accident he was conning the *M/V Laura* northbound towards Boston when he saw the *Massachusetts* in Quincy Bay south of Long Island Bridge. He received a call on VHF channel 13 (bridge to bridge) from the captain of *Massachusetts* at approximately 1630 saying that they might need assistance. He was then told over the radio that there was a fire on board and that they wanted to transfer all passengers to the *Laura*. Capt. Sullivan tied the *Laura* up on the *Massachusetts*' starboard side and transferred passengers. He believes that everyone was wearing a lifejacket. The passengers were taken to Hewett's Cove in Hingham, MA and dropped off. He did not know of any injuries to passengers. He remembers one woman that might have had her asthma act up. He logged the number of passengers in the deck log. Need to ask Steve Deshain for a copy of the log.

END OF INTERVIEW

Liam LaRue